

first unit including a rounded forward portion, and a hollow second unit having a closed forward end and an open rearward end, said rearward end of said second unit embracing said rounded portion of said second unit and forming a universal connection therewith, and resilient means within said second unit biasing the same in a direction away from said first unit.

5. In an instrument of the character described, an endoscopic tube, a forward extension for said tube comprising a first unit having one end secured to the front end of said tube and a second unit having one end swivelly connected to the other end of said first unit, a lamp having at least a portion thereof disposed in the tube, resilient means bearing against said first unit and said lamp for moving said lamp in a direction toward the rear of said tube, and means for limiting movement of said lamp in said direction.

6. In an instrument of the character described, a first device comprising an endoscopic tube having at least one lateral fenestra, a second device comprising a telescope having its forward portion in said first device and capable of including said fenestra in its field of vision, a third device rotatably coupled to the first device and removably attached to the second device to respectively permit relative angular movement and prevent axial movement between said first and said second device, and means for preventing relative rotation between said first and second devices when the same are in a predetermined relative angular position.

7. In an instrument of the character described, a first device comprising an endoscopic tube having at least one lateral fenestra, a second device comprising a telescope having its forward portion in said first device and capable of including said fenestra in its field of vision, a third device rotatably coupled to the first device and removably attached to the second device to respectively permit relative angular movement and prevent axial movement between said first and said second device, and spring-pressed detent means for preventing relative rotation between said first and second devices when the same are in a predetermined relative angular position.

8. In an instrument of the character described, a first device comprising an endoscopic tube having a plurality of lateral fenestras formed therein

and spaced therearound, a telescope having a portion in said first device and capable of including any one of said fenestras in its field of vision depending on the relative angular position of said telescope and said first device, a second device rotatably coupled to said first device and removably attached to said telescope to respectively permit relative angular movement and prevent axial movement between said first device and said telescope, and means carried by one of said devices and cooperating with the other of said devices to prevent relative rotation between said first device and said telescope when the same are in relative angular positions in which any one of said fenestras is in the field of vision of said telescope.

9. In an instrument of the character described, a first device comprising an endoscopic tube having a plurality of lateral fenestras formed therein and spaced therearound, a telescope having a portion in said first device and capable of including any one of said fenestras in its field of vision depending on the relative angular position of said telescope and said first device, a second device rotatably coupled to said first device and removably attached to said telescope to respectively permit relative angular movement and prevent axial movement between said first device and said telescope, one of said devices having a plurality of spaced apertures, and releasable detent means carried by the other of said devices, said detent means registering with one of said apertures when said devices are in a corresponding relative angular position to prevent relative rotation between said devices, said apertures and detent means being so arranged as to effect such registration when each of said fenestras is in the field of vision of said telescope.

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